

SERVICE DATE - JULY 27, 2000

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB Finance Docket No. 33842

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY, GRAND TRUNK WESTERN
RAILROAD INCORPORATED, ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY,
BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE CORPORATION, AND
THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY –
COMMON CONTROL

Decision No. 7

Decided: July 26, 2000

On December 20, 1999, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation (BNSFC) and The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSFR),¹ and Canadian National Railway Company (CNR), Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated (GTW), and Illinois Central Railroad Company (IC),² filed a notice of intent to file an application³ seeking Board authorization under 49 U.S.C. 11323-25 and 49 CFR part 1180 for a major transaction under which BNSF and CN would be brought under common control.

On July 21, 2000, applicants filed a request to withdraw their notice of intent to file an application. Because the applicants have effectively withdrawn the notice of intent filed December 20, 1999, this proceeding will be discontinued.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. This proceeding is discontinued.
2. This decision is effective on the date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary

¹ BNSFC and BNSFR are referred to collectively as BNSF.

² CNR, GTW, and IC are referred to collectively as CN.

³ BNSF and CN are referred to collectively as applicants.